



Parent-Teen Driving Contract

1. **DISTRACTED DRIVING:** Drivers under the age of 20 years old make up the greatest proportion of distracted drivers. **RULE: PUT YOUR PHONE DOWN, BECAUSE ONE TEXT OR CALL COULD WRECK IT ALL!**

AGREEMENT: _____

CONSEQUENCES: _____

2. **ALCOHOL:** It is illegal in all states for drivers under the age of 21 to operate a vehicle with any detectable amount of alcohol in their system. **RULE: ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOL!**

AGREEMENT: _____

CONSEQUENCES: _____

3. **SEATBELTS:** High fatality rates and low seat-belt-use rates among teens continue to reach distressing levels year after year. **RULE: BUCKLE UP. EVERY TRIP. EVERY TIME.**

AGREEMENT: _____

CONSEQUENCES: _____

4. **NIGHTTIME DRIVING:** Most young drivers' nighttime fatal crashes occur between 9 p.m. and midnight. **RULE: HAVE THE CAR IN THE DRIVEWAY BY [FILL IN TIME _____].**

AGREEMENT: _____

CONSEQUENCES: _____

5. **PASSENGERS:** Research shows that the risk of a fatal crash increases in proportion to the number of teenage passengers. (2007 Research Report by the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and State Farm Insurance Company) **RULE: NO MORE THAN ONE PASSENGER IN THE CAR AT ALL TIMES** (OR ZERO PASSENGERS IF THE STATE'S GDL LAW DOESN'T PERMIT ANY).

AGREEMENT: _____

CONSEQUENCES: _____

6. **GRADUATED DRIVERS LICENSE:** Graduated driver licensing (GDL) has been shown by numerous studies to be a highly effective method of reducing novice driver crash rates. (NHTSA July 2008 Teen Driver Crash Report to Congress) **RULE: FOLLOW YOUR STATE'S GDL LAWS.**

AGREEMENT: _____

CONSEQUENCES: _____

TEEN: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____

DATE: _____